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FOLLOWING IS CR PAPER NO. 38 - DRAFT RESOLUTION ON ENVIRONMENT CO- SPONSORED BY CHILE, COSTA RICA, CUBA, ECUADOR, EL SALVADOR AND URUGUAY. DEPT'S COMMENTS REQUESTED ASAP.

BEGIN QUOTE:

THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA,

CONSIDERING THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AT ITS TWENTY- SEVENTH SESSION, DECIDED TO ESTABLISH THE UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME,

NOTING THAT THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AT ITS TWENTY-SEVENTH SESSION, ADOPTED RESOLUTION 2997 ( XXVII) WHICH EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF REGIONAL AND SUBREGIONAL CO-OPERATION IN UNCLASSIFIED

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CONNEXION WITH THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE IMPORTANT ROLE TO BE PLAYED BY THE REGIONAL ECONOMIC COMMISSIONS AND OTHER REGIONAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS.

CONSIDERING THAT IN THE SAME RESOLUTION, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY INVITED THE REGIONAL ECONOMIC COMMISSIONS AND THE UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL OFFICE AT BEIRUT, IN CO- OPERATION WHERE NECESSARY WITH OTHER APPROPRIATE REGIONAL BODIES, TO INTENSIFY FURTHER THEIR EFFORTS DIRECTED TOWARDS CONTRIBUTING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMMES IN VIEW OF THE PARTICULAR NEED FOR THE RAPID DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL CO- OPERATION IN THIS FIELD.

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE NOTE BY THE SECRETARIAT ON ECLA'S ACTIVITIES IN CONNEXION WITH THE UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME (E/CN.12/957) AND THE STATEMENT MADE BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE PROGRAMME AT THE FIFTEENTH SESSION OF THE COMMISSION,

RECOGNIZING THAT ALTHOUGH THERE IS AWARENESS OF THE SERIOUS NATURE OF THE ENVIRONMENT PROBLEMS WHICH ARE AFFECTING THE LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES, BOTH IN URBAN AND IN RURAL AREAS THERE IS STILL INSUFFICIENT KNOWLEDGE ABOUT THESE PROBLEMS AND THEIR RELATIONSHIP WITH DEVELOPMENT.

RECOGNIZING FURTHER THAT IN LATIN AMERICA A MAJOR PART OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS ARE THE RESULT OF UNDER- DEVELOPMENT,

TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THAT THE SATISFACTORY QUALITY OF THE ENVIRONMENT IS AN ESSENTIAL ELEMENT OF SOCIAL WELL-BEING,

TAKING ALSO INTO ACCOUNT THAT THE MEASURES TAKEN BY THE MORE INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES TO PROTECT THEIR ENVIRONMENT MAY HAVE ADVERSE ECONOMIC EFFECTS ON THE COUNTRIES IN THE GEOGRAPHICAL AREA OF THE COMMISSION,

1. TAKES NOTE WITH SATISFACTION OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME AND THE ARRANGEMENTS CONCLUDED

BETWEEN THE PROGRAMME AND THE ECLA SECRETARIAT FOR THE LATTER TO CARRY OUT THE STUDIES, RESEARCH AND ACTIVITIES REQUIRED IN THIS FIELD IN LATIN AMERICA IN PURSUANCE OF THE ACTION PROGRAMME ADOPTED BY THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON THE HUMAN ENVIRONMENT;

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2. RECOMMENDS, IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE THE MOST EFFECTIVE COORDINATION OF UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMMES, PARTICULARLY THOSE RELATING TO THE LATIN AMERICAN REGION, THE URGENT ESTABLISHMENT OF A JOINT ECLA/UNE  $E\ E\ E\ E\ E\ E\ E$ 

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